

Appl. No. 10/728,700

Amendment & Response to Final Office Action dated May 9, 2006



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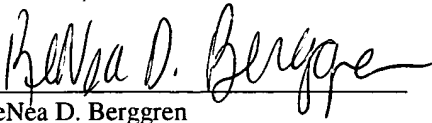
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Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2006, for which the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on August 9, 2006. While Applicants believe that no extension of time for response is necessary, should the Office

determine that any additional fees are necessary for this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

Amendment to the **Claims** is reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

Entry of the Amendments below and consideration of the Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.